- 1 16. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein A method of controlling the
- 2 molecular motion of a polymer, fluoropolymer is controlled by comprising compounding [[a]]
- 3 <u>the nanostructured chemical into the polymer fluoropolymer.</u>
- 1 17. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein a time dependent property
- 2 is enhanced as a result of compounding the nanostructured chemical into the polymer
- 3 <u>fluoropolymer</u>.
- 1 18. (Original) A method according to claim 17, wherein the time dependent property is
- 2 selected from the group consisting of T_g, HDT, modulus, creep, set, permeability, erosion
- 3 resistance, abrasion resistance.
- 1 19. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 15, wherein of reinforcing a selected
- 2 region of a polymer, the method comprising: compounding a the nanostructured chemical with
- 3 has chemical properties compatible with the selected predetermined region of the polymer
- 4 <u>fluoropolymer</u>, whereby the compounding reinforces the fluoropolymer.
- 1 20. (Cancelled)